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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: IEA-JAPANESE VIEWS ON FLOOR PRICE

1. IN DISCUSSION MARCH 5 WITH EMBASSY ON FLOOR PRICE
ISSUE, KARITA (DIRECTOR, RESOURCES DIVISION, FONOFF)
INDICATED THAT GOJ HAD STILL NOT ARRIVED AT FIRM
POSITION. HE STATED THAT IN GOJ'S VIEW PRINCIPLE OF FLOOR
PRICE AND FLOOR PRICE ITSELF WERE IN-
SEPARABLE. THUS, IF AGREEMENT WERE REACHED ON SUFFI-
CIENTLY LOW FLOOR PRICE (NOT SPECIFIED), GOJ COULD
PROBABLY AGREE ON PRINCIPLE OF FLOOR PRICE.

2. ACCORDING TO KARITA, GOJ IS PRESENTLY GIVING THOUGHT
TO PROPOSAL THAT FLOOR PRICE APPLY ONLY TO DEVELOPMENT
OF NEW SOURCES OF CRUDE OIL (HE DID NOT REFER
SPECIFICALLY TO OTHER FORMS OF ENERGY).

3. COMMENT: WHILE KARITA OCCUPIES AN IMPORTANT
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POSITION WITHIN FONOFF ON ENERGY POLICY, HE IS NEW TO

ENERGY MATTERS (HAVING REPLACED UDAGAWA WITHIN LAST
FEW MONTHS) AND THUS WE UNABLE TO ASSESS WHETHER
REMARKS PARA 1, WHICH WE HAVE NOT HEARD PREVIOUSLY
FROM OTHER OTHER CONTACTS IN GOJ, DO INDEED REFLECT GOJ
POLICY.
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